TOWN OF EMPIRE, COLORADO

RESOLUTION 21-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF EMPIRE, COLORADO TO SET WATER AND SEWER TAP FEES, OTHER WATER AND SEWER SERVICE-RELATED FEES, AND REGULATIONS AS PERMITTED BY ORDINANCE 226

WHEREAS, The Town of Empire, in the County of Clear Creek and State of Colorado (the "Town"), has adopted a revised water and sewer ordinance (Ordinance 226) which permits the Town to adopt via resolution water and sewer tap fees, monthly charges for water and sewer service, and any other water and sewer service-related fees; and

WHEREAS, new federal and state regulations have increased the cost of operations of the Town's water and sewer services; and

WHEREAS, in addition, other costs of updating and maintaining the current Town's current water and sewer system are increasing; and

WHEREAS, the Town is planning to invest \$2,073,000.00 in system improvement projects to ensure future water needs of the Town are met; and

WHEREAS, the Town has already raised monthly rates to the maximum amount practical; and

WHEREAS, the Town's tap fees have not been raised since 2009; and

WHEREAS, the limited availability of future taps makes it necessary to ensure future costs are met with the taps available; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Empire desires to adopt this Resolution in order to set water and sewer service tap fees, other water and sewer related service fees, and water and sewer regulations as permitted by Ordinance 226.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF EMPIRE COLORADO:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The above recitals are hereby incorporated by reference.
- <u>Section 2</u>. The Town Board of Trustees hereby sets the following fees, charges, and regulations:

Tap Fee as of 2021 (tap fees will increase by 5% per year beginning January 1, 2022 and on January 1 in the following years.)

Size of Water Tap	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>
3/4 "	\$10,000	\$10,000
1 1/2 "	\$20,000	\$20,000
2"	\$27,000	\$27,000
3"	\$40,000	\$40,000
4"	\$54,000	\$54,000

New Build or Renovation Fee

\$525.00

Water Meter Set Purchase Total	\$400.00	
Water Meter Purchase	\$190.00	
Sending Unit Purchase	\$190.00	
Touch Pad Purchase	\$20.00	
Water & Sewer Account set-up	\$25.00	

System Inspection Total \$100.00

Inspect meter installation, curb stop connection, whole house shut-off \$50.00

Water turn-on \$25.00 Meter activation \$25.00

Meter Repair Fee

Total will be calculated based on repair

Curb Stop shut-off and water turn-on, if necessary \$150.00

Water Meter Set Items Priced Separately

Water Meter Purchase	\$190.00 \$190.00	
Sending Unit Purchase		
Meter Cord Purchase	\$30.00	
Touch Pad Purchase	\$20.00	
System Inspection Total	\$100.00	

Inspect meter installation, curb stop connection, whole house shut-off \$50.00

Water turn-on \$25.00 Meter activation \$25.00

Account Transfer Fee

\$25.00

Monthly Usage Fee

<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$75.00	\$25.00	\$100.00
\$120.00	\$40.00	\$160.00
\$112.50	\$37.50	\$150.00
\$90.00	\$30.00	\$120.00
\$37.50	\$12.50	\$50.00
\$37.50	\$12.50	\$50.00
\$37.50	\$12.50	\$50.00
\$15.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
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Late Payment Fee

2% interest on delinquent charges

Reconnect Fee after Late Payment Shut-off

\$150.00

Yearly Backflow Inspection Fee under BPCCC Program

\$75.00 per inspection for each

Backflow device

Yearly Grease Trap Inspection Fee under FOGC Program

\$50.00 per inspection for each

Grease trap

Tampering with or Removing Meter Fee

\$500.00

Unauthorized Water Turn-on Fee

\$1500.00

Refusal to grant Town personnel property access to inspect meters and water or sewer connections to Town system, as defined by Ordinance 253

\$500.00

Emergency repair by the Town of Empire if needed, as defined by Ordinance 253: Billed to Account Holder

Emergency after hours call for Public Works employees, as defined by Ordinance 253: Billed to Account Holder

All past due Town bills, invoices, licenses, permits, and fees must be paid in full before any inspections or approvals can take place, as defined by Ordinance 170.

<u>Section 3</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

TOWN OF EMPIRE

BY:

ATTEST:

Jeannette Piel. Town Clerk